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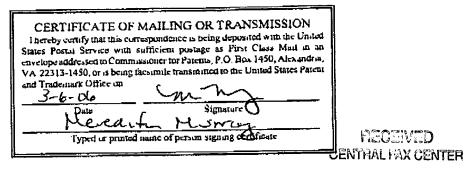
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Sir:

On March 6, 2006, the undersigned attorney spoke with Examiner Tuan Duc Nguyen, who indicated that the above-identified patent application would be allowable if Terminal Disclaimers were filed for U.S. Patent Nos. 5,881,159 (Aceti, et al.) and 6,473,511 (Aceti, et al.). Attached please find two Terminal Disclaimers, for filing in the above-referenced application.

Please charge the statutory fee in the amount of \$260, for filing the two disclaimers, to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

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